

SAZBA 2023

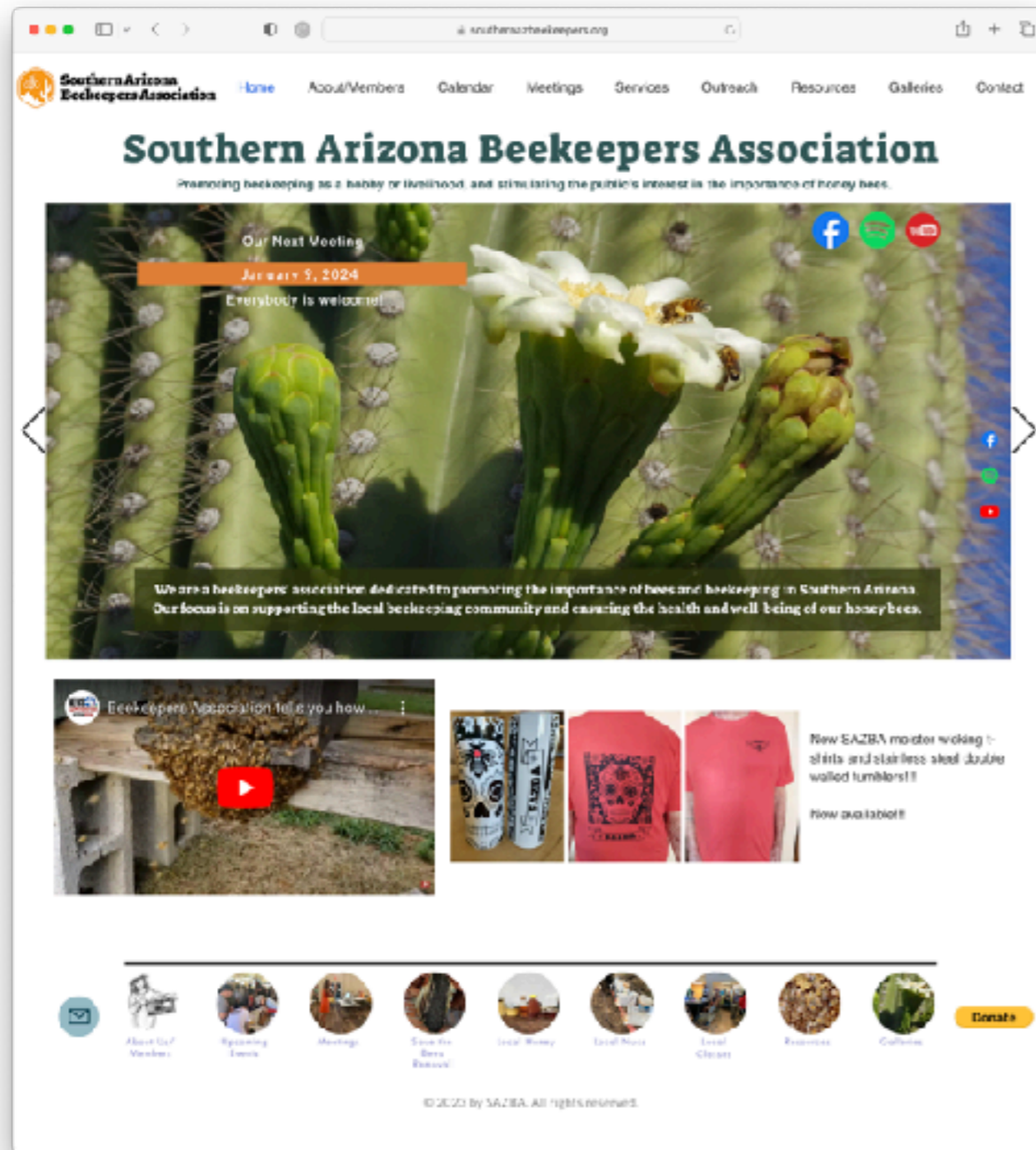
Year in Review

2023 Accomplishments

Website and equipment upgrade highlights

A New Website

Webmaster
Michael Shipman



Mission

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL southernazbeekeepers.org. The website header includes the logo for the Southern Arizona Beekeepers Association and a navigation menu with links for Home, About/Members, Calendar, Meetings, Services, Outreach, Resources, Galleries, and Contact.

Our Mission

Arizona Bee—Beekeeping in Southern Arizona
In this podcast you will hear from SGE Fite, the President of the Southern Arizona Beekeepers Association, and Monica King, the association's Vice...

Jun 20, 9 min 17 sec

Our goals are to teach and encourage better methods among the beekeepers of Southern Arizona (Pima, Cochise and Santa Cruz), to promote cooperation and sharing, to reach a common understanding regarding our problems and their solutions, and to stimulate the interest of the general public in the advantages and benefits of beekeeping.

We encourage the study and research in Apiculture with an eye towards better methodology, increased production, public safety and improved marketing.

We participate in outreach activities including special events and visiting schools to teach and inform the general public relating to honey bees and the beekeeping industry.

If you have any questions about what we do, our mission or just general beekeeping questions, please [reachout](#).

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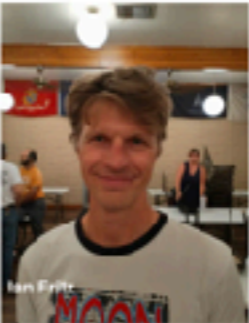








Officers and Team

The screenshot shows the website for the Southern Arizona Beekeepers Association. The browser address bar displays 'southernazbeekeepers.org'. The navigation menu includes: Home, About/Members, Calendar, Meetings, Services, Outreach, Resources, Galleries, and Contact. The main content area features a grid of nine team members, each with a photo and their name and title. On the right side of the grid, there are social media icons for Facebook, WhatsApp, and YouTube.

Name	Title
Will Fitz	President
Monica King	Vice President
Cheryl Derks	Secretary
Edita Smrcinova	Treasurer
Carl Hilber	Director
Susan McClintock	Director

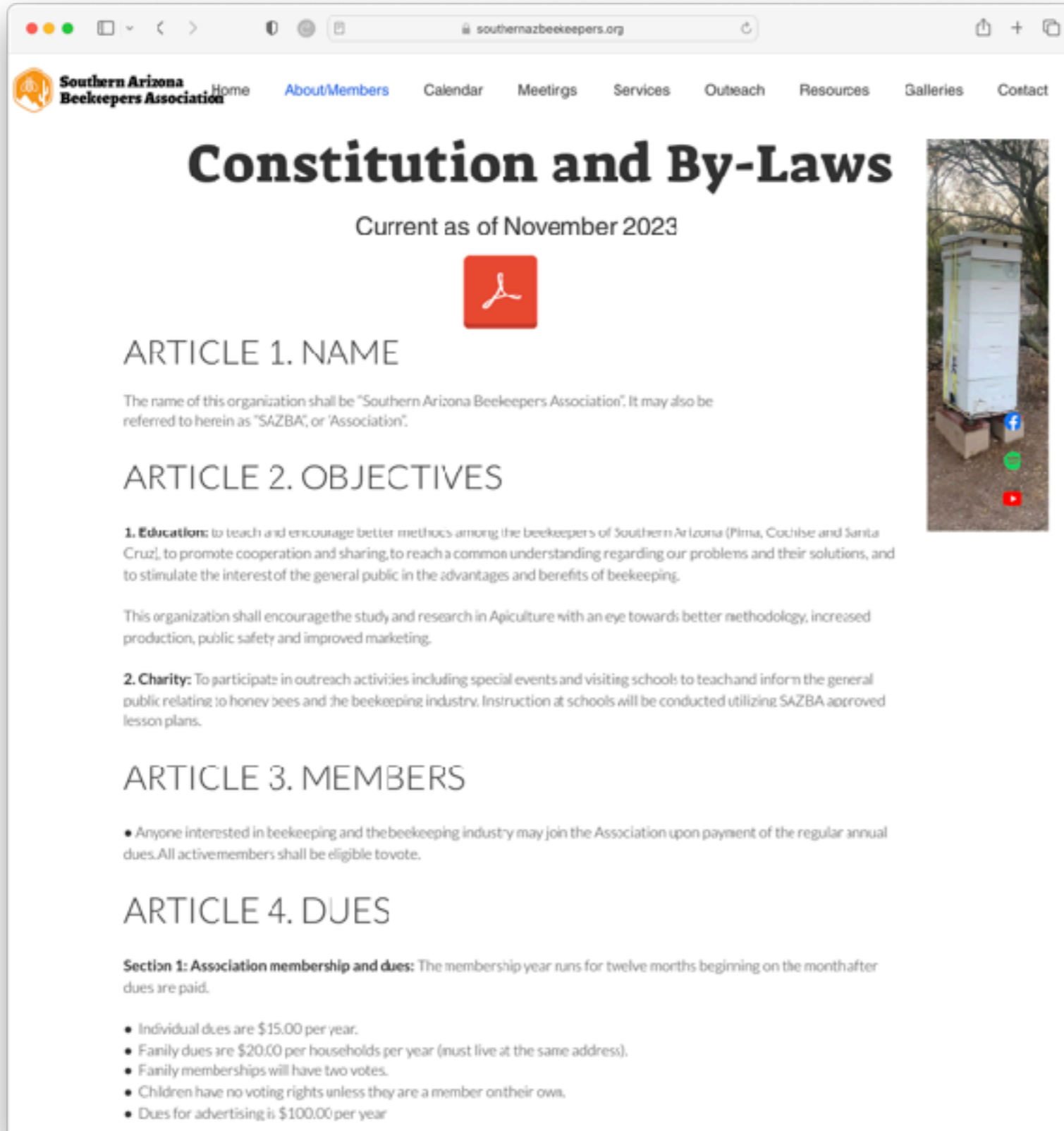
Members photos

The screenshot shows the website for the Southern Arizona Beekeepers Association. The navigation menu includes Home, AboutMembers, Calendar, Meetings, Services, Outreach, Resources, Galerias, and Contact. The main heading is "Meet Beekeepers".

 Cynthia Bon	 Tom Chester	 Jay and Carl Coates	 Greg Denker
 Cheryl Danks	 James Ellis	 Will Ritz	 Ian Fritt
 Celeste Cymbill	 Carl Hill	 Muriel	 Susan McClintock
 Dave McClintock	 Susan Swan and Yelena	 Zac Palmer	 Johne, Jason and Jolisa

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Constitution and By-laws



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL southernazbeekeepers.org. The navigation menu includes Home, About/Members, Calendar, Meetings, Services, Outreach, Resources, Galleries, and Contact. The main heading is "Constitution and By-Laws" with a sub-heading "Current as of November 2023". A red PDF icon is displayed below the sub-heading. The page content is organized into articles:

ARTICLE 1. NAME

The name of this organization shall be "Southern Arizona Beekeepers Association". It may also be referred to herein as "SAZBA", or "Association".

ARTICLE 2. OBJECTIVES

1. Education: to teach and encourage better methods among the beekeepers of Southern Arizona (Pima, Cochise and Santa Cruz), to promote cooperation and sharing, to reach a common understanding regarding our problems and their solutions, and to stimulate the interest of the general public in the advantages and benefits of beekeeping.

This organization shall encourage the study and research in Apiculture with an eye towards better methodology, increased production, public safety and improved marketing.

2. Charity: To participate in outreach activities including special events and visiting schools to teach and inform the general public relating to honey bees and the beekeeping industry. Instruction at schools will be conducted utilizing SAZBA approved lesson plans.


ARTICLE 3. MEMBERS

- Anyone interested in beekeeping and the beekeeping industry may join the Association upon payment of the regular annual dues. All active members shall be eligible to vote.

ARTICLE 4. DUES

Section 1: Association membership and dues: The membership year runs for twelve months beginning on the month after dues are paid.

- Individual dues are \$15.00 per year.
- Family dues are \$20.00 per households per year (must live at the same address).
- Family memberships will have two votes.
- Children have no voting rights unless they are a member on their own.
- Dues for advertising is \$100.00 per year



New and updated By-Laws
Current as of November 2023

Events

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Southern Arizona Beekeepers Association | Home | About/Members | **Calendar** | Meetings | Services | Outreach | Resources | Galleries | Contact

Upcoming Events/Calendar

[Log In](#)

Monthly Meeting
7:00 PM
American Legios Hall
330 W. Franklin Street, Tucson

October 10, 2023 Debunking Common Myths about Beekeeping
November 14, 2023 Dr. Tom Seeley
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January 9, 2024 Encaustic Art
February 13, 2024 Bob Binnie

Time zone: (GMT-07:00) | < January 2024 > | [Today](#)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Encaustic Art...	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

Meeting Information and Previous Meetings

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Southern Arizona Beekeepers Association website. The navigation menu includes Home, About/Members, Calendar, Meetings, Services, Outreach, Resources, Galleries, and Contact. The main heading is "Monthly Meeting" with illustrations of a beekeeper and a bee. Below this, it lists upcoming meetings: "January 9, 2024 - The Prepared Beekeeper presented by Monica King" and "February 13, 2024 - Bob Binnie". The meeting location is "American Legion Hall, 330 W. Franklin Street, Tucson" and it occurs on the "Second Tuesday of each month, 7 - 9 PM". A note states "Everybody is welcome to join! You do not have to be a member to attend." Social media icons for Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube are visible on the right. Below the main text, there are sections for "January 9, 2024" with links for "The Prepared Beekeeper January 9, 2024 Announcement" and "The Prepared Beekeeper - Slideshow". At the bottom, there is a section for "December 12, 2023" titled "Holiday Potluck" with a small photo of people at a table.

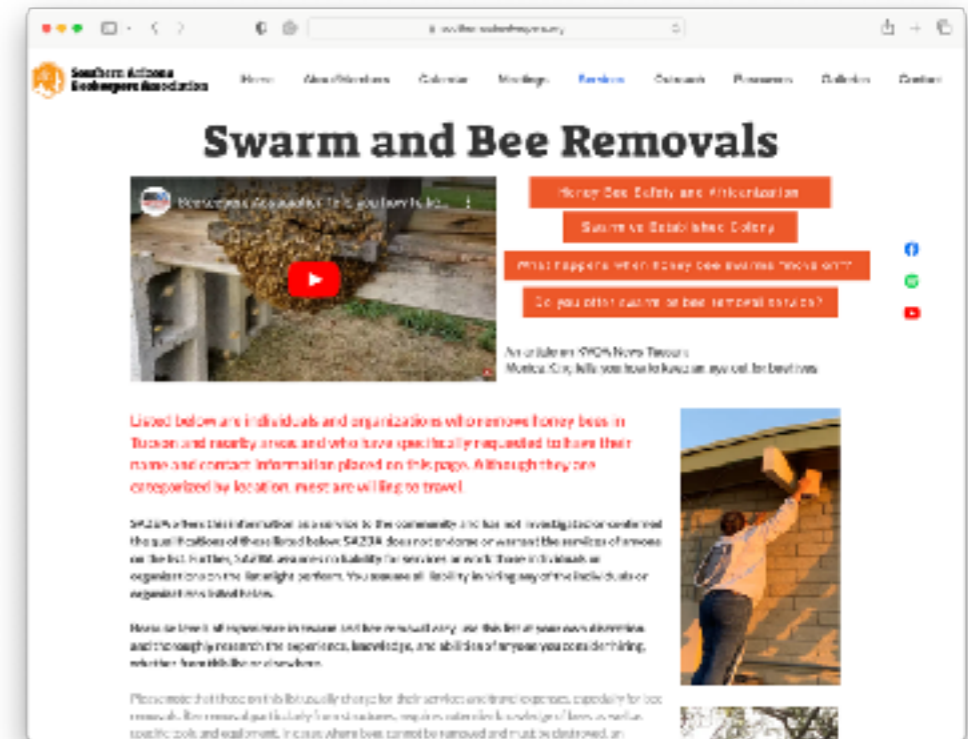
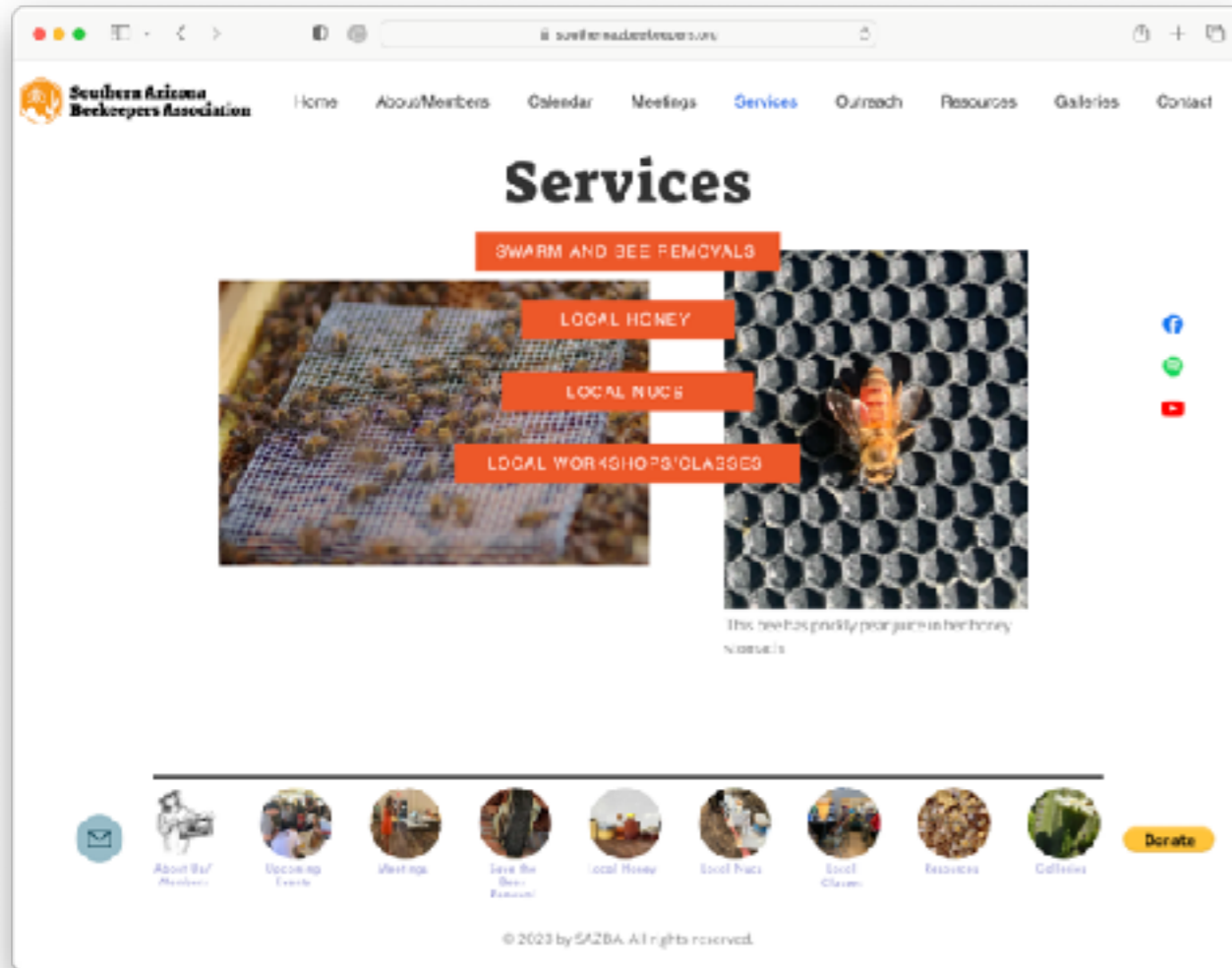
This screenshot shows a calendar view of past meetings on the Southern Arizona Beekeepers Association website. The navigation menu is the same as in the first screenshot. The calendar lists three meetings:

- November 14, 2023:** "Colony Thrift - November 2023 Announcement" with a video player for "The video player" and a note: "Members that missed this meeting may request a private link: bnaa.sarba@gmail.com".
- October 10, 2023:** "Debunking Common Myths about Desqueening - October 2023 Announcement" with a "Slideshow" link and a photo gallery of the meeting.
- September 12, 2023:** "All about Beeswax - September 2023 Announcement" with a "All about Beeswax - Slideshow" link and a video player for "All About Beeswax - September 2023".

Social media icons for Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube are visible on the right side of the page.

Each month is documented with announcements, slideshows, photos and YouTube.

Bee Removal, Honey Sale, Nuc Sales, Workshop lists



\$100 advertising fee to be listed.

Membership sign up and renewal

The screenshot shows the website for the Southern Arizona Beekeepers Association. The page is titled "Become a member" and features a video player showing a person in a field with bees. The page includes a navigation menu, a list of membership benefits, and a "JOIN OUR MAILING LIST" form. At the bottom, there are three "Buy Now" buttons and a "Donate" button, each with a payment icon.

Southern Arizona Beekeepers Association Home About/Members Calendar Meetings Services Outreach Resources Galleries Contact

Become a member

SAZBA membership registration form

Membership is open to anyone interested in bees and beekeeping. You do not need to own a hive to join. Being a member of the Southern Arizona Beekeepers Association (SAZBA) provides many benefits to beekeepers and supporters of beekeeping:

- **SAZBA Committees** working on your behalf.
- **Networking** – You have the ability to interact with folks who “have been there and done that” and are willing to share their experiences with you.
- **Meetings** – Twelve monthly meetings take place each year that include presentations on various topics and renowned speakers.
- **Discounts on Classes & Seminars** – Discount to SAZBA members for local hands-on Beekeeping Trainings.
- **Association Extractor** – SAZBA has a manual extractor and extracting equipment for your use.
- **Local Honey Provider** – Members who pay an advertising fee of \$100 can be listed on the SAZBA website’s local honey provider page. This page provides local area residents with a listing of individuals who sell locally produced honey.
- **Swarm & Bee removal** – Members who pay an advertising fee of \$100 can be listed on the SAZBA website by specific areas to capture honey bee swarms or remove established hives. The listing provides the general public and local government with a source of individuals who are capable of removing a honey bee swarm or established beehives.
- **SAZBA Web Site** – The web site provides information on beekeeping that is specific to our area, and updates on association events and topics of interest for our local area.

We are looking forward to you joining us! Please fill out and print the form below.

[Member Registration Form](#)

You may pay your membership directly via PayPal.

PLEASE be sure to note your full name, email address, phone, and home address in the Note field of your Paypal Payment.

Also, join our [mailing list](#) for our monthly newsletter.

JOIN OUR MAILING LIST

First name *

Last name *

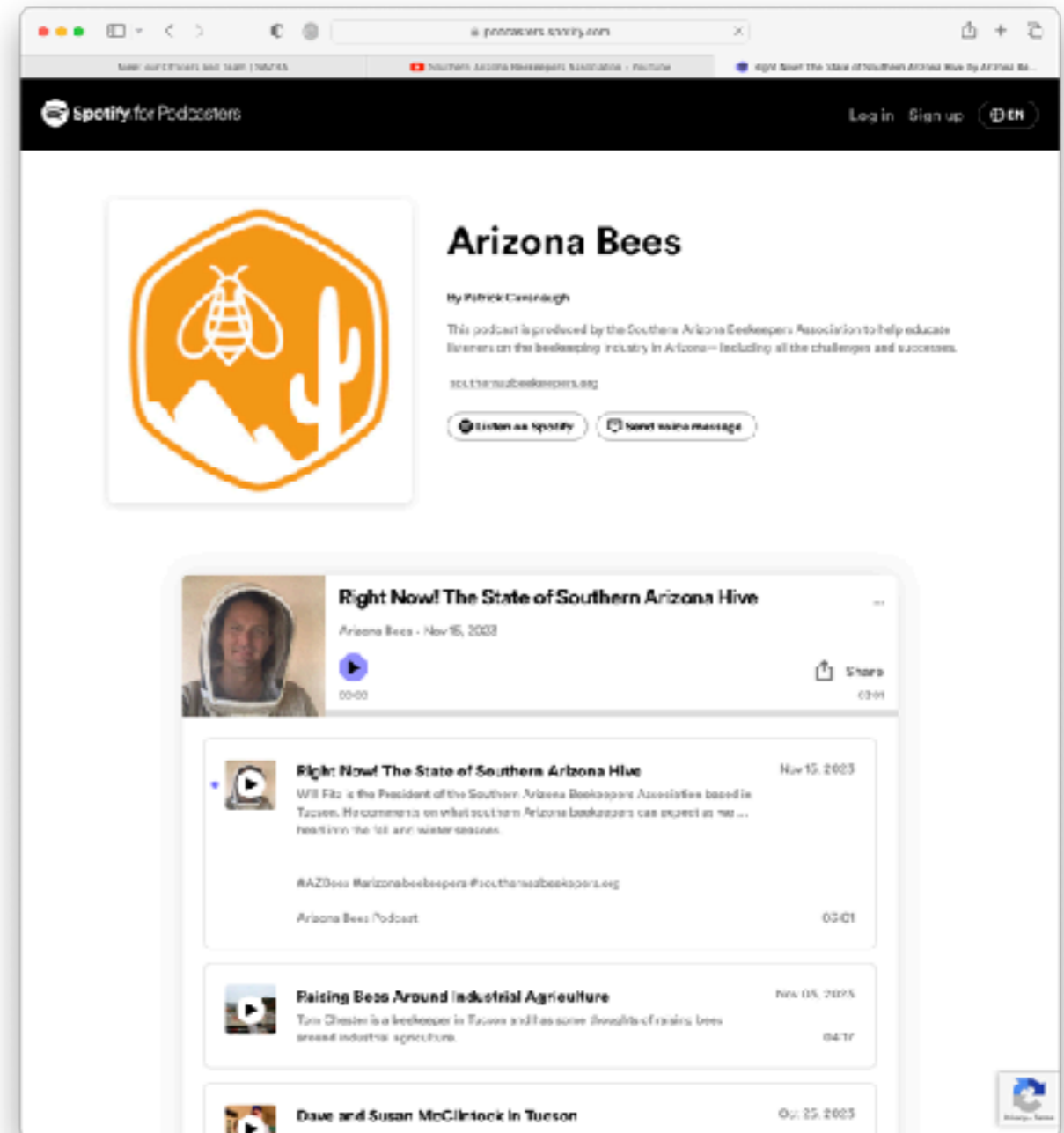
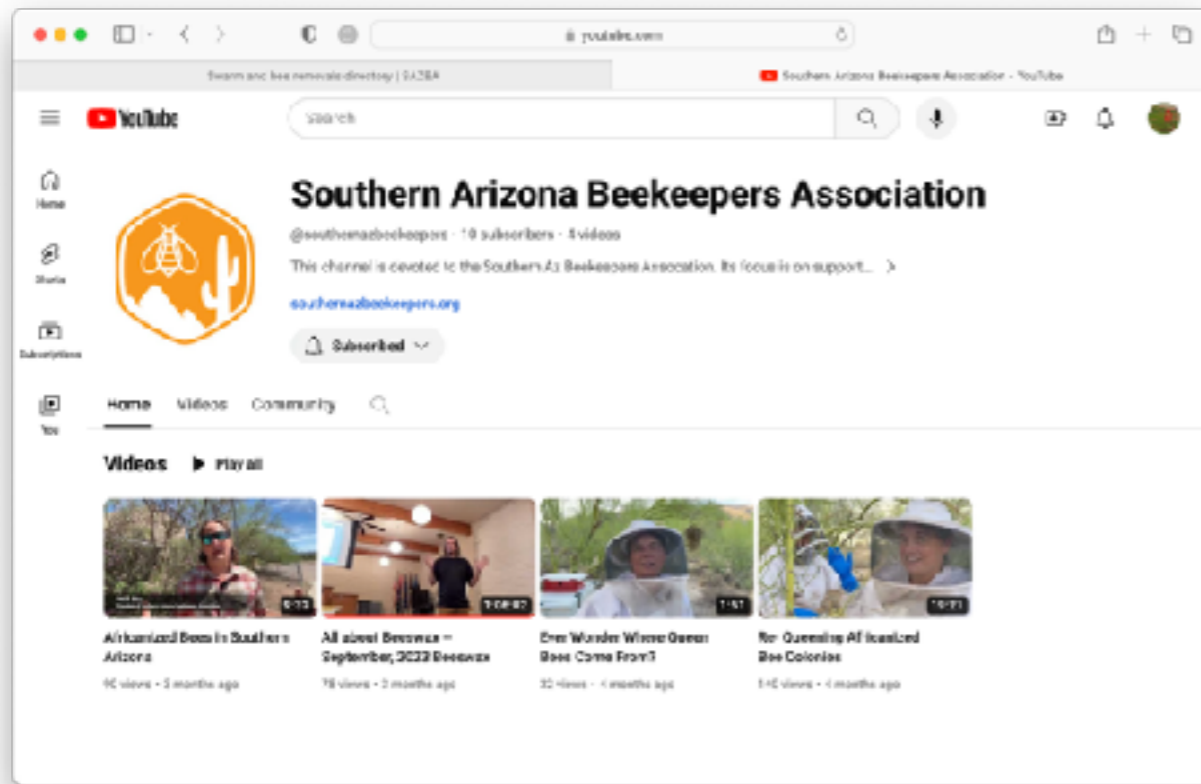
Enter your email here *

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Successful financial audit

SAZBA Podcasts and YouTube Channel



Thank you to Patrick Cavanaugh

New SAZBA T-shirts and tumblers

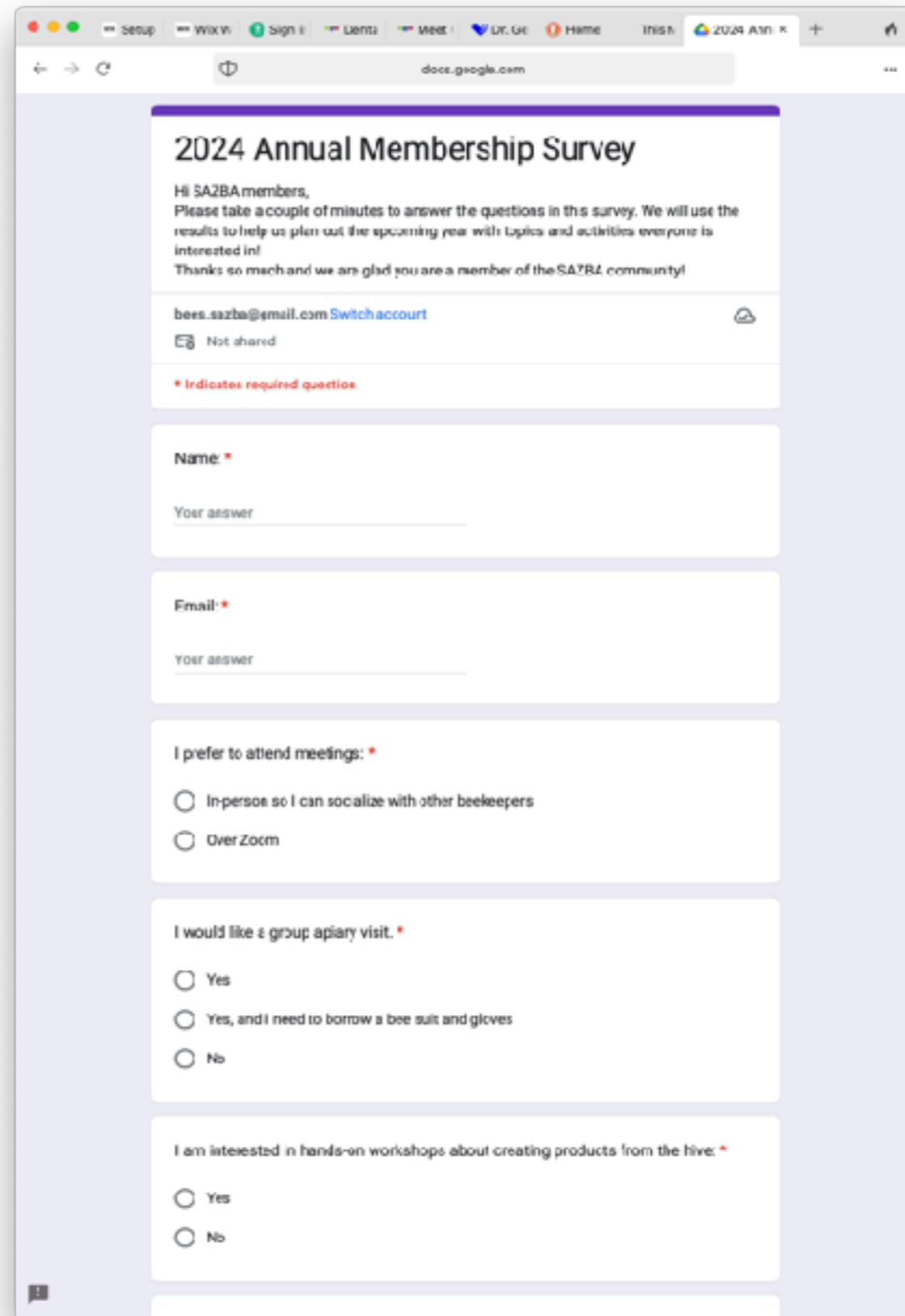


- Hands-on extracting
- Honey and cheese pairing/tasting
- All about beeswax
- Spring hive readiness
- Mite control and treatment
- State of the Hive

Survey

2024 Annual Membership Survey

Celeste Gambill



The image shows a screenshot of a Google Docs document titled "2024 Annual Membership Survey". The document is written in a clean, professional font and includes a greeting to SA2BA members, a request for their input, and a list of survey questions. The questions are: "Name", "Email", "I prefer to attend meetings:", "I would like a group apiary visit.", and "I am interested in hands-on workshops about creating products from the hive:". Each question is followed by a text input field or radio button options. The document is displayed in a browser window with the URL "docs.google.com" visible in the address bar.

2024 Annual Membership Survey

Hi SA2BA members,
Please take a couple of minutes to answer the questions in this survey. We will use the results to help us plan out the upcoming year with topics and activities everyone is interested in!
Thanks so much and we are glad you are a member of the SA2BA community!

bees.sazba@gmail.com [Switch account](#)

Not shared

* Indicates required question

Name *

Your answer

Email *

Your answer

I prefer to attend meetings: *

In-person so I can socialize with other beekeepers

Over Zoom

I would like a group apiary visit. *

Yes

Yes, and I need to borrow a bee suit and gloves

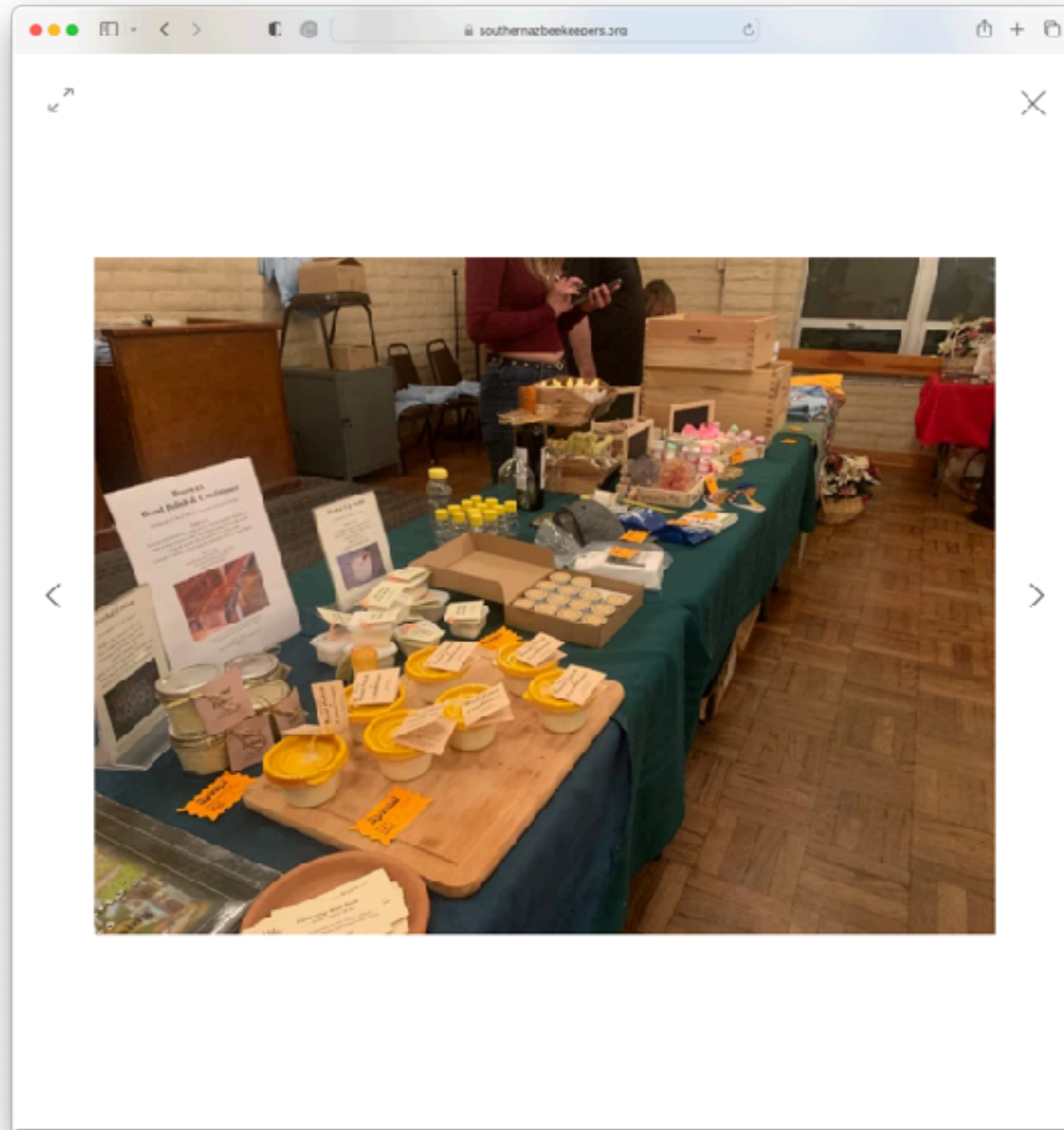
No

I am interested in hands-on workshops about creating products from the hive. *

Yes

No

Pima County Fair



Pancake Breakfast

- Pancake Breakfast in Arivaca (Dave, Edita, Christina, Susan, Kalo, Monica, Will, Michael, Tom, Patrick, and Dottie.)



September 16, 2023

Pancake Breakfast in Arivaca

The small town of Arivaca has been a strong supporter of SAZBA and over the years has contributed to our fundraising efforts by supporting several pancake

Arizona Honeybee Festival

- Arizona Honeybee Festival in Phoenix (Monica King, Christine Stockwell, Dave and Susan McClintock)



November 11, 2023

Arizona Honeybee Festival in Phoenix

On November 11th SAZBA hosted a table at the Arizona Honeybee Festival in Phoenix. Monica King, Christine Stockwell, Dave and Susan McClintock and visiting



UArizona Festival of Books

- Tucson Festival of Books, Science City Tent (William Fitz (President), Monica King (VP), Susan McClintock (Board of Director), Michael Shipman (Tech Advisor), and Jacqueline Soule.)



March 4 & 5, 2023

SAZBA was invited to set up with Friends of the Desert Legumes at the Tucson Festival of Books, Science City Tent. This was our second year at this enormous event with over 150,000 people attending! According to a clicker being

Tucson Organic Gardeners fall and spring events



October 23, 2023

Tucson Organic Gardeners

SAZBA members set up today at the Tucson Organic Gardeners fall festival. There was great community

participation, and we reached talking to around 175 people

- Tucson Organic Gardens Fall (Will, Susan, Dave, Carl, Jill, and Monica.)

JOHNSON PRIMARY School

(Carl Hilber)



November 21, 2023

JOHNSON PRIMARY School

SAZBA was invited on NOVEMBER 21 to the JOHNSON PRIMARY School to participate in their STEAM event.

Girl Scout

(Monica King)



October 3, 2023

Girl Scout

SAZBA VP, Monica King, visited with a small Girl Scout Troop of 6 girls, ages 6-10, to talk bees. It was only fitting as the troops crest is the Bee, symbolizing hard work &

Southern Arizona Arborists Group

(Monica King)



March 16, 2023

SAZBA Vice President, [Monica King](#), spoke to the Southern Arizona Arborists Group, with around 11 people in attendance, about Honeybee Health, Pesticides & Herbicides, and Citrus Greening.

Flowing Wells High School Culinary Club

(Will Fitz)



March 2, 2023

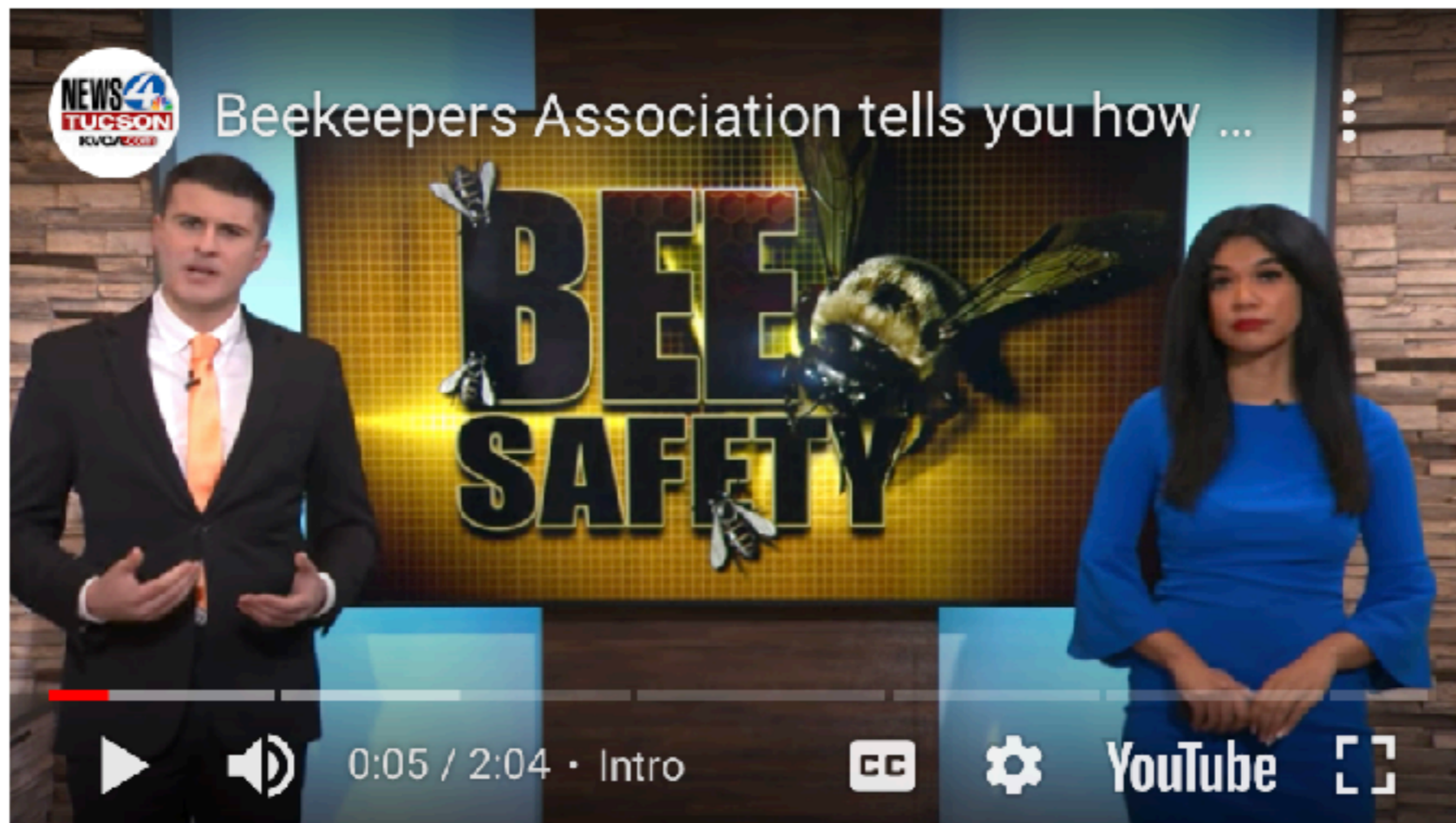
SAZBA President, William Fitz, spoke to the Flowing Wells High School Culinary Club about Honeybee Biology, Beekeeping, and Honey Production.

Local televised news interviews

Tucson KVOA interviewed Monica King.

An article on KVOA News Tucson:

[Monica King tells you how to keep an eye out for beehives](#)



- Initiated a Suggestion Box
- Audited and aligned membership roles in SAZBA databases
- Current with all required government reporting

WAY-TO-BEE Award

2023 Board established

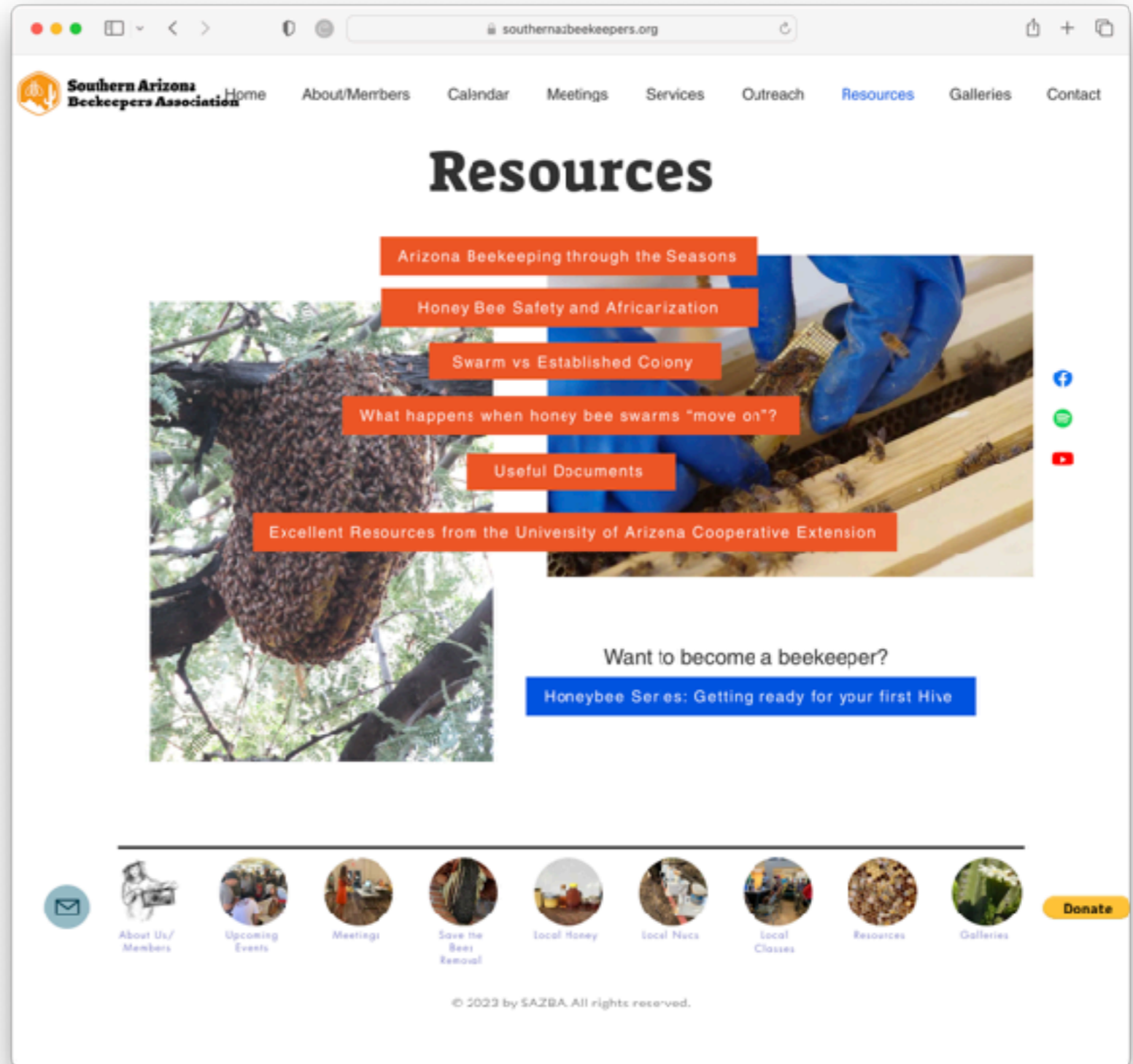
WAY-TO-BEE Award (Volunteer of the Year Award)
to be given every year at the Annual Holiday Potluck.



Michael Shipman received the 2023 WAY-TO-BEE Award

Resources

Great resources are posted on our website.



2024 Goals

- Email membership renewal reminders and payment confirmation
- Curriculum workshop for community outreach volunteers
- Understanding Bees educational kits for teachers
- Hands-on beekeeping opportunities (apiary visits, etc.)
- 2024 survey for members
- Continued and enhanced outreach programs
- Increase participation at meetings and events
- Record presentations for members to view on our website

